

E-GRANTS PROJECT STATUS REPORT – July 7, 2006

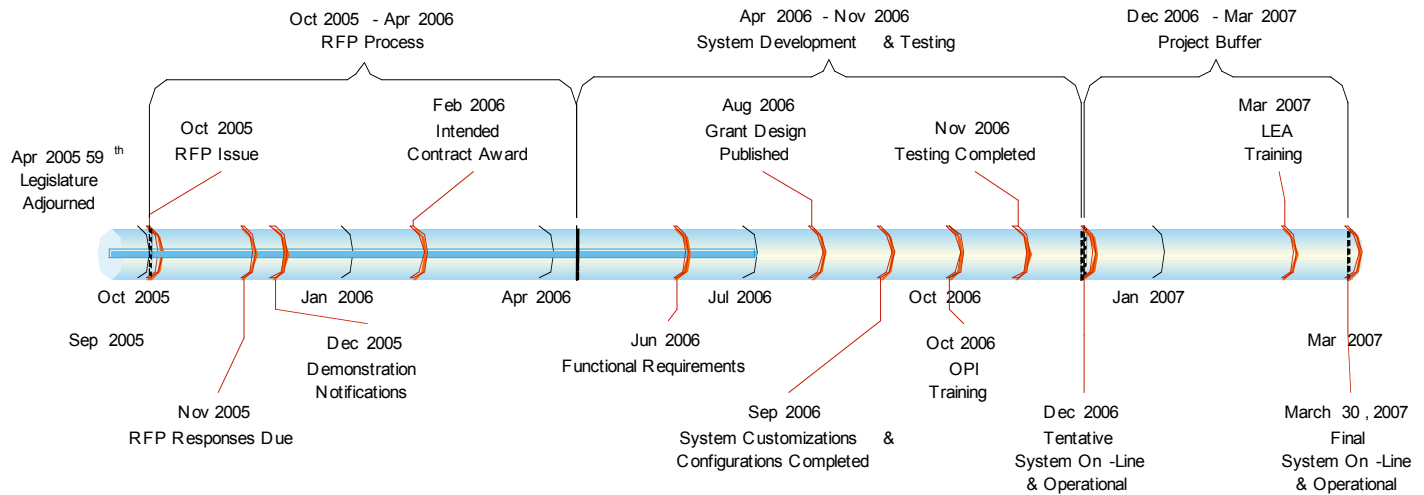
PROJECT OVERVIEW

E-Grants will be a web-enabled system for K-12 education and will support the grant application process from allocation of funds and application for funding through payment accountability, reporting to the grantor and grant closeout for both state and federal grants. E-Grants will be accessible to all Local Education Agencies (LEAs) and other subgrantees via the Internet without need for installing any special software or hardware.

The Office of Public Instruction (OPI) released RFP06-12000 on October 7, 2005 and entered into contract OPI06-12000 on March 24, 2006 with MTW Solutions, LLC to purchase and make the necessary adjustments to their Grants Management System (GMS).

PROJECT TIMELINE

The project timeline is developed for optimal conditions for the Tentative System On-Line milestone. The Final System On-Line milestone is the firm deadline for E-Grants to be operational.



MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- OPI E-Grants Project Kickoff meeting was conducted on April 17, 2006.
- Completed and accepted several project milestones / deliverables (see Project Deliverables Tracking section of this report)
- Begin development of 1st version of the OPI Grant Designs (Deliverable 6) following OPI approval of the FSD

PROJECT DELIVERABLES TRACKING

Deliverable Name	Date MTW Submitted	Date OPI Review Due	Status
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Milestone 1: Project Governance Procedures developed and accepted	4/28/2006	5/9/2006	<i>Accepted</i>
Milestone 2: Development Environment & Source Libraries established	4/28/2006	5/9/2006	<i>Accepted</i>
Milestone 3: Functional Requirements Document Version 2	6/30/2006	7/05/2006	<i>Accepted</i>
Milestone 4a: GMS Installed – 1 st Payment	5/16/2006	5/26/2006	<i>Accepted</i>
Milestone 5: OPI Test Environment Readied	5/16/2006	5/26/2006	<i>Accepted</i>

WORK FINISHED AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

None

WORK NOT FINISHED ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE

Milestone 3: Functional Requirements Document

The OPI experienced a one month delay in getting the Functional Requirements Document (FSD) completed. Ensuring issues were thoroughly thought through prior to making final decisions is critical to documenting the E-Grants solution requirements, so delaying the finalization and submission of the FSD will prove advantageous.

The Functional Requirements Document has been completed and has not affected the tentative system on-line and operational date in December.

NEXT STEPS

Start the customize/configuration phase where the focus is on;

- components needed to support the Grant Designer Tool and Grant Application Mechanism,
- how the automated system should perform, and
- changes needed to current grant management business processes.

Within the customize/configure phase, the initial draft of the following grants will be completed.

- Carl Perkins,
- Title 1-A Basic,
- Title 2-A,
- Title 2-D Ed Tech,
- Title 3-A English Acq,
- Title 4-A SDFSC,
- Title 5-A Innovative,
- Title 6-A-2 Transfer,
- Title 6-B-1 SRS,
- Title 6-B-2 Rural,
- IDEA Part B, and
- IDEA Preschool

Other grants not listed above will be developed by OPI staff once the initial E-Grants project has been complete.